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HE WAS A FAILURE.

Lena Podliski Wants the Ten Dollars She Paid for a Husband.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.-Mrs. Lena Podliski a widow with three children, of Williamsburg, had Bernard Bernstein arrested for getting her a bad husband. In court she told how she wanted another husband last Monday and went to Mr. Bernstein, who offered to get her one for \$10. She paid the money to get the husband, to whom she agreed to give \$50. She get the husband on ruesday and paid him the money Tuesday afternoon. The husband remained with her till Wednesday morning, and then he disap-

HEAD-END COLLISION.

Engineer and Brakeman Killed and

Firemen Badly Hurt. MONTGOMERY, Ala., Feb. 7 .- A headend collision between freight trains occurred this morning on the Louisville & Nashville Railroad near Myers's switch, nine miles from this city, caused by the carelessness of the telegraph operator in failing to signal the south-bound train. Sid Kirkland, engineer, aged twenty-eight, of Montgomery, and Brakeman Weller, of Middlesboro, Ky., were killed, and the fireman is believed to be fatally hurt. After the accident the operator took to the woods

and has not been seen since. Several Passengers Injured. SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 7 .- The north and south-bound Oregon passenger trains on the Southern Pacific road collided this morning at Nord's station, a few miles from Chico. No one was killed, but several passengers were injured. The engine and several cars were wrecked. After a few hours' delay the trains proceeded. The inent and took care of the passengers, who were suffering in a cold rain.

BIG BRIDGE COMPLETED

MARVELOUS STRUCTURE.

HARLEM RIVER NOW SPANNED BY A

The New York Central's Four-Track Steel Drawbridge Ready for Traffic

NEW YORK, Feb. 7 .- The largest bridge engineering, is now approaching completion in this city. It is the New York Central's Trains via Big Four and C. & O. run as | four-track steel drawbridge over the Harlem river at One-hundred-and-thirty-fifth street. The passenger entering New York first to pass over this greatest of steel railway constructions. Going south at Onehundred-and-forty-ninth street, the tracks of the New York Central begin to rise gradually, and at One-hundred-and-thirtyfifth street they cross the Harlem river at an elevation of twenty-four feet above high

The massive structure is remarkable in being the first four-track drawbridge ever to center of outside trusses, and is carried on three heavy trusses. Between the cenelear space of twenty-six feet, which permits the passage of two sets of double The floor is corrugated and the rails are boited to it on steel tie plates. The trusses of the drawbridge span are sixtyfour feet high in the center, and twenty-five feet high at each end. At the highest part of these trusses is the engine house, which contains two oscillating double-cylinder engines. These engines turn the draw, and can be worked together or separately, so that if one should break the other can do the work. From One-hundred-and-thirtyover the steel viaduct to One-hundred-andtenth street, and thence by a stone viaduct to One-hundred-and-sixth street, where

The work of building this massive structure began Sept. 1, 1893, and has continued without cessation until now. It will cost when completed more than \$3,000,000. It will permit the opening of all cross streets under the railway and thus admit a free passage for surface traffic. At One-hundredand-twenty-fifth street the tracks will cross the street fourteen feet above its One-hundred-and-twenty-fifth to One-hundred-and-twenty-sixth street, under the

The completion of the great structure is looked on as being of immense value to the entire State-in fact to the whole countryas the bridge being so high above the water will never have to be opened, except when large steamers or vessels with masts pass through. All tugs, canal boats and barges will have ample room to go under it while it is closed. The secretary of war has issued orders that all tugs and barges shall joint their smoke stacks and flagpoles to enable them to pass under the bridge while closed. He has also ordered that the bridge shall not be opened between the hours of 7 and 10 o'clock in the morning and 4 and 7 in the afternoon, except for police, fire or government vessels, the hours named covering the great business traffic in and out of the city, as the important through trains, as well as the principal suburban trains, arrive and depart during these hours. This will avoid delay and thus permit of a much faster service. Grant's tomb can be seen by the trains as they pass over the new viaduct, and Luke's Hospital, Barnard College Columbia College on Morningside Heighths. In fact, the greater part of the improvements which have recently been made in the northern part of the city can be seen from the trains as they pass over

REVIVAL OF INDUSTRY.

or near the viaduct.

Big Establishments in the Monongahela Valley Resuming Work. PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 7.-The Dispatch

to-morrow will say: A revival of industry is beginning up the Monongahela valley, which, it is expected, will result soon in placing every manufacturing plant in full operation. The Homestead steel works of complaint against Bernstein was dismissed. The Carnegie Company started up full this evening in all departments, giving employment to four thousand men. Beginning with this evening, the Westinghouse electrie works, at East Pittsburg, will begin to operate in all departments on both day and night turns. The Westinghouse machine works and the air-brake works at Wilmerding will go on in full this week. The Edgar Thomson steel works resumed last evening in full in all departments. The Pittsburg wire works at Braddock will resume in full in all departments this week. The red and wire department will start to-night and the copper wire and nail departments to-morrow. So rushed is the Braddock wire works of the Consolidated Steel and Wire Company that all depart-The National tube works at McKeesport

operating to three-fourths capacity, but the firm expects within a few weeks to | ing 3.781, will continue to be paid from the get all departments on. The Duquesne steel works started up in full last evening. They report that the business outlook, so far as quantity and work is considered, is

good, but that low prices still prevail.

Work for 400 Men. RACINE, Wis., Feb. 7.-The J. I. Case Threshing Machine Company's plant, which has been closed for six months, will start jured passengers were brought to this city. | up Monday morning, giving employment to Their injuries were slight, a broken arm | 400 men. The factory will run eight hours being the most serious of the list. A wreck- a day and the force will be increased as ing and relief train soon arrived after the fast as business will warrant. When in full operation the concern employs between 600

WILLIAM M'KINLEY'S TREE SHAKEN BY GROVER CLEVELAND,

And a Great Deal of Unripened Fruit, Long and Anxiously Awaited by Republicans, Destroyed.

TEN OUT OF 18 TO BE LOPPED OFF AND A NEW ONE CREATED.

Checks from St. Louis Because Missouri Has Most Pensioners.

INDIANAPOLIS

DETROIT AGENCY TO BE MERGED WITH THE ONE IN THIS CITY.

Great Saving Made Possible by Congressman Overstreet's Law-To Go Into Effect on Sept. 1.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.-The President has signed, on the recommendation of Secretary of the Interior Francis, an important agencies in the United States from eighteen to nine. The object of the order is to effect a very large saving to the government without inconveniencing the pensioners. The secretary demonstrates that by this reducleast \$150,000 per annum. The change was governing the disbursing of pensions, which amendment was approved March 23, 1896. It required that all pensioners should, after that date, be paid by checks remitted by

that the possibility of error is minimized, the pensioners receive their pensions when Under the previous law many pensioners ciations, were often induced to apply those payments unwisely and deprive their fam-

This executive order will go into effect Sept. 1 next, its execution having been postponed until that date in order that no pensioner should suffer inconvenience in consequence of delay in receiving his pension, and to give ample time for the removal of the rolls and records from the agencies discontinued. The consolidation was made by uniting existing agencies, and the entire jurisdiction thereof, in order that no exnew rolls. The agencies at Concord, N. H. and Augusta, Me., are discontinued, and payments hitherto made there are ordered The pensioners heretofore paid at Buffalo, N. Y., are to be paid from New York city; those at Pittsburg from the Philadelphia agency; those at Louisville and Knoxville, from Washington; those at Detroit, from Indianapolis; those at Milwaukee, from Chicago; those at Des Moines and Topeka, they strike the level of the present fourbe established.

from St. Louis, where a new agency is to MANY PENSIONERS IN MISSOURI, A new agency is established at St. Louis because of the better mail facilities there than at Des Moines or Topeka, and for the further reasons that there is a government building at St. Louis, which can be occulevel, and at this point a magnificent pas- pied without cost to the government; and senger station is to be built, extending from there is also a subtreasury there. A pento Topeka in 1882. There are more pensioners now in Missouri than in Kansas or in any State formerly paid by the Topeka or the Des Moines agency. There are in Missouri 53,812 pensioners, in Kanas 42,433. in Iowa 37,798. Following is the preamble

of the executive order: "Whereas, By act of Congress approved March 23, 1896, the law governing the payment of pensions was amended so as to require all pensioners to be paid by checks remitted by mail, instead of permitting those to collect personally who elected so

to do, and "Whereas, the method of paying by remittances has greatly lessened the labor of pension agencies through which pension appropriations are disbursed, and facilitated the payment of pensions, as evidenced by reports from agents, and

Whereas, the remittance of pensions by mail has proved eminently satisfactory to pensioners who, by this method, receive their quarterly allowances more promptly, with unvarying regularity and with less likelihood of error, and,

"Whereas, the successful operation of the amended law has now been thoroughly demonstrated, and, "Whereas, under its provisions and consequence thereof the number of pension agencies can be materially reduced without any incorvenience whatever to the pensioners, and a great saving to the government be effected thereby; "Therefore, from and after the 1st day of

September, 1897, it is ordered, etc." This is followed by the body of the order, which defines the jurisdiction of each agency. The secretary of the interior is charged with the execution of the order and directed to cause the agencies to be grouped in the manner provided by the act of March 3, 1891, which requires that each tributes the payments at the different agencles in such a manner as to be most convenient to the treasury officials at Washington and the subtreasuries. Following are the nine agencies and the number of

agencies paid thereat under the new order; St. Louis161,709 San Francisco 23,098

SAVING TO THE GOVERNMENT. All pensioners of the United States residing in foreign countries, and now number-Washington agency, and the navy pensioners will be paid as heretofore from Boston, Chicago, New York city, Philadelphia, San Francisco and Washington. The estimated saving to the government is as follows: Clerk hire\$105,675 Salaries, nine agents, \$4,000 per an-

on the cost of that item at the two tering penniless unfortunates.

Rent for agencies discontinued......

largest agencies in the service, namely, Columbus and Topeka. From those agencies the pensioners are paid at an annual cost of 35 cents per capita for clerk hire. After the consolidation the cost for clerk hire will amount, at 35 cents per capita, to \$339,737, while that item for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1896, amounted to \$445,412. The following discontinued agencies pay the rents given below: Buffalo, \$2,400; Detroit, \$2,400; Milwaukee, \$2,-500; Topeka, \$2,250, a total of \$9,550.

Secretary Francis does not think any valid objection can be offered to this change, and believes that the saving will be even greater than estimated. Under the be even greater than estimated. Under the new law the agents report that about twice as many pensioners are paid during the first two days of each quarterly payment as under the old law. This saving can be effected without any inconvenience to the pensioners, and will reduce the annual expenses of the government to just that ex-tent and may tend to allay in some degree the opposition that has been manifested hitherto to the great pension disbursments of the government. The total cost for pen-sions and the disbursement thereof for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1896, was \$142,-206,550, made up as follows: Payments to pensioners......\$138,215,176 Fees to examining surgeons..... 672,587 Maintaining pension bureau at

\$160,000 per annum. RESULT OF OVERSTREET LAW. Without It Consolidation Would Be Impossible-Agent Spencer's Views. This consolidation of the pension offices seems to be the direct result of the Overstreet law, which provides that all pension payments shall be by check sent by mail to the residence of the pensioner. Without such a law it would be impossible for the payment of pensions to be made from a few central points, for there would have to

Washington Cost of maintaining pension

agencies

It is on this last item that the new order

s intended to save between \$150,000 and

change. At the present time the local office has 11,140 names on its roll, but after the consolidation it will have 116,066 and will then be fourth in point of number, while now it is third. There are now thirty-four clerks employed in the pension office and Mr. Spencer says he can handle the audiestimates that the Detroit office has about would make a saving of ten or twelve lerks by combining the offices. The local office now pays out \$11,000,000 a year in pensions, and the Detroit office, based on the same average payent, pays out about \$7,000,000 a year. would make the total payment here after Reports from the pension agencies in re- the consolidation, about \$18,000,000 annually. Mr. Spencer was very well pleased when

consolidated offices. Although he said nothing about this, he showed plainly that he was very much gratified. In speaking of think that is the best pension law that has been enacted in many years. I find that it pensioners and their families the small sum they receive. It was formerly the case that draw their pensions merely for the purpose of having a good time and geting drunk. fundreds of them were locked up here by lowing thieves to rob them. Nothing of this kind now hapens. At first I heard a great deal of grumbling about the new law from money at home where they would be compelled to properly use it, but preferred to spend it in getting drunk. Now, however, I

L. A. W. MEETING.

Delegates to the Annual Convention Arriving at Albany. ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 7.-The hotels are eginning to fill up with delegates to the annual convention of the League of Ameri-

can Wheelman, and by noon to-morrow the canvass for president will be well under way, and hotel room will be at a premium. The assembly does not open until Wednesday morning, but the friends of Sterling Elliott and Isaac B. Potter, the leaders in open up campaign headquarters. The other have not as yet appeared either in person or by proxy, and are not looked upon as formidable candidates. Indeed, those present to-night say that both Elliott and Potter are playing shrewd politics. Elliott putpresident, and Potter doing the same thing with the other two. If all the delegates atend from the various States 276 of them will face Lieutenant Governor Woodruff when he calls the preliminary good roads meeting to order on Wednesday. In addition a great number of wheelmen who are not delegates are interested in the convention and n the movement of good roads. The numsion agency was removed from St. Louis by the number of enrolled wheelmen in such Indiana has five delegates. actual work of the delegates will not begin until Thursday morning, and then it is expected that a great deal of time will be consumed in discussion of the many important questions which will be presented for consideration. One of the reasons for holding the convention in Albany was to impress the New York Legislature with the strength of the union, and, if possible, have this State become the pioneer in the movement for good roads. The entire session of Wednesday will be given up to this mat-

ter, and it is altogether probable that hear-ings will be arranged before some of the legislative committees on Wednesday afteroon on the good roads bill introduced by Senator Higgins. Bowling Tournament Ended. CINCINNATI, Feb. 7.-The seven days' bowling tournament between the Brookyln club and members of the Hamilton County Bowling League ended to-night. Thirty-six games were bowled with five men on each of these Brooklyn won twenty-eight and Cincinnati eight. There was an outside match during the week, two men to a side. for a \$100 stake, best two games in three, which the Cincinnati pair won. There was

which Brooklyn won. BOWERY DUKE DEAD.

Noted Character Who Was Said to Be a "Dead-Square" Sport.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7 .- John Burke, who for many years was known as the mayor of the Bowery, and who was a pioneer in pensioner shall be paid quarterly and dis- the Bowery museum line, is dead from cerebral meningitis. He was for nearly a quarter of a century one of the Bowery's foremost actors. His dime museum at No. 210 was known all over the country, and it was there that the "Ossified Man" first appeared in this city. Burke also bore the reputation of being a "dead-square" sport. He is said to have invented the "fake," and having thrived when the Bowery was in the heyday of its existence, he came in contact with all kinds of humanity. For various reasons, some painful, no one who ever met him forgot him.

> SALVATIONISTS CRITICISED Condemned by Charity Societies for Sheltering the Poor and Hungry.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7 .- The Salvation Army's recent action in providing warm shelter for the 1,500 frozen, homeless poor of this city who applied is severely condemned by organized charity. The alleged danger of encouraging vagrancy and spreading contagious diseases and moral degradation is pointed out, and the Salvationists are requested to leave such charities to the organized associations who are supposed to manage them. The Salvation officers feel hurt at the tone of the attacks. but say they will continue, should the The estimated saving in clerk hire is urgency again arise, in their course of shel-

SOME OF THE AMUSING THINGS SEEN IN THE TOPEKA CAPITOL.

Nothing Yet Done to Curb the "Money Power," Notwithstanding Populist Ante-Election Threats.

SAMPLES OF PROPOSED LAWS

HOW SOME OF THE "HAYSEED" BILLS MEET AN UNTIMELY DEATH.

plan that would preserve and prosper them. Should other questions absorb the attention Populist Washburn's Reply to Secretary Edgerton, Who Wants to of the people, or should an international agreement be reached by the Republicans, Fuse with Bryan Democrats. it would leave the silver forces stranded without an issue and afford them an excuse

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 7. - Twenty-three days have been gathered into the past since legislators of Kansas assembled to enact into laws their solemn campaign promises of economy and reform. Thus far the our ranks. The Radicals of to-day are the State's social fabric remains unchanged conservatives of to-morrow. If we educate and the "blarsted money power" is still the people between elections on scientific doing business at the old stand. The time be offices located so they could be reached has about arrived which will be decisive for by pensioners where the payment is made | many measures affecting for good or ill but will be a combination of the Iowa and Nebraska laws, with probably a few unique kinks of Jayhawker wisdom. The rower of the Board of Railroad Commissioners will be greatly increased, giving them authority to make freight and passenger rates the tional work that will come from Detroit same as though enacted by statute. Alwith the addition of about six clerks. He | though the Iowa law has not been a glit tering success, one senator says: "If thi bill does not pass we might as well hang up and go home." They propose to reduce local rates, to the detriment of through traffic. A vast amount of Kansas products go beyond the state line, and favorable rates for "long hauls" are more important than ulistic wisdom. It is a farce to repose so about preparing just and equitable rates as an Exquimbo does about the binomial

However, the vigorous pushing of this proposed railroad law may be a deep-laid scheme and a shrewd display of "worldly by. If half of what the members of the Mr. Dawes returned to Chicago this eventhat they are not out for their health and knows how to approach them. The power of the lobby is all that now stands between Kansas and a dangerous, vicious railroad

Members are assisting in the amendment Last week a senator offered a resolution to at once provide each member with a copy of the Revised Statutes, so in the management of the Weekly Repositively could have some idea of what they tory, and established the Daily Repository,

It is amusing to see how some bills meet with sudden disaster. The member from Lawrence came up smiling in behalf of the Kansas State University. He wanted the modest sum of \$185,000 for additional buildngs and \$100,000 for running expenses, but he felt sad when calamity struck the bil under the base of the ear as it were. When he recovered consciousness the appropriation for buildings was all gone and \$40,000 had been lopped off the running expenses. What does a Populist Legislature want "book larnin" anyhow?"

The Horticultural Society desired to make a misdemeanor for tramps to trespass this remark, of the significance of which under orchard shades. It was not a partiposition. But when it was just ready for | really knew very little about the intentions passage in the House a Republican, in the spirit of mirth, suggested that for Kansas to enact such a law would be a greater out- | tion. He said he had written the Governor to keep off the grass at Washington. was an arrow shot at random, but it struck | vorable response or any kind of a response, the vitals. A number of Republicans sprang to the rescue and hoped to save the bill from an untimely end, but all in vain. The Cleveland-Coxey difference did the business. Now the "weary wabblers" can est undisturbed beneath the co of strawberry leaves or watermelon vines. A bill to tax as property mineral reserves reached the committee of the whole House in good order, but a little Dutch horse sense was thrown into it by the remark: "Suppose it turned oud der vos no mineral, vot That bill at once turned up its toes

Two Populists have forgotten the funda mental principles of their party and are liable to be tried as heretics and excommunicated. One desires to enact the Missouri trust deed law, which brings a mortgageor to time with dizzy quickness. This peculiarity is based on the historical fact that he is a money lender who has been successfuly stood off by the mortgageor under our present law and he now realizes that the greater portion of a \$500 loan has vanished in the air. Another wants a law to abolish the legal rate of interest and let money bring what it will in the market like wheat and corn. These are not the kind of patriots the old-time Populists elected These men are letting sordid greed and personal interests hinder their pursuit of the money power.

There are indications of a brewing storm The new converts are getting too much The other day a prominent member was heard to remark, "This thing of giving all the best places to fellows who haven't been in the party six months is too thin. Th also a triangular contest of two men each | old-time Populist will kick, and don't you from Brooklyn, Chicago and Cincinnati, forget it. He earned the ple and don' relish seeing a bunch of upstarts eat it.' Senator Peffer will soon be at home, to resume his work as editor of the Advocate The old man will have some sore spots and may have occasion to stick splinters into some of the other fellows. The new element has been guilty of ingratitude and was a wheelhorse in bringing Kansas Populism to the front.

It is generally conceded that the Populists have paid a very high price for the support they got from free silver Republicans and Democrats. The best and most expensive pie has been given to men who care nothing for Populist principles, or any other kind of principles. It was said that the Democratic party was an organized appetite for office. These fellows have the appetite all right, but are short on organization. The fact that the elements are incongruous and discordant gives the true Kansan a hope that this unfortunate administration will commit suicide. A. C.

REPLY TO EDGERTON.

Mr. Washburn Protests Against Demoeracy Gobbling Populism.

BOSTON, Feb. 7.-George F. Washburn, hairman of the executive committee of the People's party of Massachusetts, who recently issued a manifesto calling for the People's party to separate from the Democrats and suggesting the calling of a convention, which appeal was replied to by Hon. J. A. Edgerton, secretary of the national committee of the People's party, has made reply to Mr. Edgerton's recent letter, It follows, in part'

"While I do not ascribe to you the intent, nevertheless, your plan of having an identical issue with the Democrats would result in a union of the Populistic lamb and the the latter. While it was possible to unite to continue the union during an educational | which time the Frst Church built a fine one. Your plan would force us to follow the edifice and nearly doubled its membership. I ended in a victory for the multi-millionaire,

Democrats under their banner when we should lead them under our own. Your plan would humiliate our brave people, while mine would inspire and ennoble them. You favor retaining a subordinate plank as an issue. I favor making the main one, which

includes yours, the issue.

would suppress our main planks. I favor a plan that would open them to discussion when the people want to talk about them. You favor a plan that would add thousands

of adherents to another party. I favor one

that would add thousands of adherents to

our column. Fusion for a campaign may be

politic, but permanent fusion on identical issues means absorption and disintegration for our party. Disintegration from the same cause killed the Greenback party.

of compromise. I avor a plan that would

the Democrats to advance to our position

rather than to recede from theirs. You fa-vor a plan that would wreck and ruin all

the reform papers of the land. I favor a

"The issues I favor are the ones that will

command the attention of the people during

the next four years. Why attempt to force

others? This move on the part of the Pop-

ulists will place our party at the head of the column of reform, with the Democrats

greenbacks will add thousands of voters to

money, metal money will become the con-

servative measure of the future until the

invariable paper dollar shall finally take its

turn and become the money of all nations.

The next battle may be fought on scientific

as to lead to official indorsement by our

national committee. In calling a separate

conference you have unwisely added to the

CANTON SMALL TALK.

and Their Visitors.

Mrs. Maria S. Sexton, who is to be

Sherman Will Not Decline.

Serious Election Row.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

Kinley for a visit.

Kinley's home organ.

one issue when the people will discuss the

for backsliding.

Why should we invite a similar fate?

"You favor a plan that would factionize the party and divide the West and South. I ANOTHER MOMENTOUS QUESTION DEfavor a plan that would unite all factions CIDED BY NEW YORK'S "400," and lead to victory. You favor a plan that

> Elisha Dyer, Jr., to Lend the Dance at the Bradley-Martin Fancy Ball Wednesday Night.

"You favor an issue that may be aban-doned by the Democrats through some form GOTHAM STILL IN A FERMENT

not be affected by these changes. You favor a plan that would enable the Democrats to absorb the Populists and pave the OVER BOTH THE BALL AND DR. LY. way for a union of the two wings of Democracy, leaving the future of reform a for-MAN ABBOTT'S JONAH BOMB. lorn hope. I favor a plan that would force

> Brooklyn's "Infidel" Further Offends by Casting Suspicion on the Whole Book of Proverbs.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. NEW YORK, Feb. 7 .- Another momentous question has been settled by that exclusive set known as the "Four Hundred." protecting the rear. Our defense of the A few days ago society in general was in a ferment over the question: "Who is the first lady?" The dispute grew out of the selection of some one to lead the cotillon at the Bradley-Martin fancy-dress ball next Wednesday night. This was settled by according the honor, it was said, to Mrs. Asin person as under the old system.

Martin Van Buren Spencer, local pension agent, was seen last night at his home and informed of the change that had been made. He was surprised by the information formation in the commonwealth. It is conceded that such a powerful lobby of railroad men never before besieged the law makers, and certainly there was never a time when conserved the such a powerful lobby of railroad men never before besieged the law makers, and information ference in Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 22. It will be attended by leaders of the party from every section of the country. I believe the servative Kansans so much desired the such as surprised by the information of the country. I believe the servative Kansans so much desired the such as adopted at that time will be so emphatically in favor of independent action leaves the lobby. Ex-Governor Lewelling in the lobby of railroad men ference in Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 22. It will be attended by leaders of the party from every section of the country. I believe the ference in Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 22. It will be attended by leaders of the party from every section of the country. I believe the ference in Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 22. It will be attended by leaders of the first gentleman?" But this was easily disposed of, in comparison with the first party from every section of the country. I believe the ference in Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 22. It will be attended by leaders of the party from every section of the country. I believe the ference in Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 22. It will be attended by leaders of the first gentleman?" But this was easily disposed of, in comparison with the first gentleman?" But this was easily disposed of, in comparison with the first party from every section of the country. I believe the ference in Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 22. It will be attended by leaders of the first gentleman?" But this was easily disposed of, in comparison with the first party from every section of the country. tor. Then arose the question: "Who is male portion of the "Four Hundred" into factions by making her decision. She has awarded the honor of first gentleman to Elisha Dyer, jr., who will assist Mrs. Astor in leading the cotillon-that is, if Mrs.

Daily Gossip About the McKinleys Astor has accepted the honor of "first lady," as reported. CANTON, O., Feb. 7 .- The usual Sunday Only three days intervene between now quiet prevailed at the McKinley home toand the date of the great function at the day. The major went to church, accom-Waldorf, and the gossip and discussion over panied by National Committeeman Charles the ball is reaching fever heat. New York-G. Dawes, Congressman Francis H. Wilers will be pleased when the affair is over. son, of Brooklyn, N. Y., White House Exfor all, except the invited ones, are surecutive Clerk Pruden and several other feited with the never-ended stories, contrafriends. Rev. William McAfee, of Columdictions and denials concerning the affair, bus, occupied the pulpit, having exchanged This is a mighty big city, but no country with Dr. Manchester, the regular pastor. village or booming town was ever half so Rev. McAfee was pastor of the Columbus disturbed over a singing bee or candy pullchurch while Major McKinley was Goving as is New York by the Bradley-Martin ernor and they became close friends. After ball. Jealousy, rivalry and every annoythe services Mr. Dawes, Rev. McAfee and ing incident of which rumor says there has several local friends dined with the McKinbeen an amazing amount, is being gossiped leys, the major and the minister later in about by old and young, for breakfast and the day going to the home of Mother Mcfor dinner, at the club, the opera and theater, in hotels, street cars and on the street you hear it every hour. The papers make one weary, but read the stories you must, talk with the major before leaving for the East this afternoon. He said his visit was not of national importance. Mr. Pruden or your ignorance will confuse when a also had a short talk with the major befriend is met. But the worst is to come, Oscar Hammerstein has decided to put on matters connected with the White House. a new burlesque at the Olympic, and "Mrs, Madley-Barton's Ball" it will be called. Mr. Dyer, jr., who has been selected to lead the cotillon, is perhaps the most graceing, going via Cleveland, to have a talk between trains with National Chairman ful dancer in New York. It has been Mr. S. A. Perkins, assistant secretary of th Dyer's intention for some time to retire national committee, who has charge of the from leadership in society, but his talent as Washington headquarters, reached the city a dancer, his grace and consummate art as this evening and will see Major McKinley a leader of marches, cotillons, germans and all sorts of dancing matters keeps him in such constant demand that he has not member of the McKinley household in the been able to tear himself away from these diversions. He has been quite as desirable White House, has been seriously ill and it was feared that she might be unable to go an acquisition to a party or a ball since much improved, however, and unless a reand time has only served to lend addition lapse is experienced will be one of the special train party. Mrs. Sexton is Mrs. Mc-Kinley's aunt, being the relict of the late motion. One newspaper says his partner in the cotillon will be the hostess herself. Thomas Sexton, who succeeded his father This, if true, will leave Mrs. Astor to shine in the quadrille of honor. Martin will wear a Mary Stuart costume which is popularly regarded as Major Mcand Mr. Dyer will be dressed in the style of a Scotch gentleman of the seventeenth century. The quadrille of honor will be the main dance of the evening. Centuries ago it was the favorite court dance, and it will prettily match the generally archaic WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.-When asked the character which it would appear the ball direct question, "Have you any intention of will have. Mrs. Bradley-Martin's partner in this dance will be John Jacob Astor, Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish and Robert Van Cortlandt will be second in importance amon shape up to your satisfaction?" Senator the couples. Others in the grand dance wi Sherman replied that he had no such intenbe J. Townsend Martin and Miss Gerry, Miss Whitney Warren and Lispenard Stewart, Mrs. Orme Wilson and Harry Lehr, Mrs. Lee Tailer and Craig Wadsworth, and any one is at liberty to form independent Miss Madeline Cutting and J. J. Van Alen. adgment, the Senator had declared that he Mrs. Bradley-Martin's friends are congratulating her upon having secured so valuable of Governor Bushnell in the premises and an aid as Mr. Dyer will undoubtedly be appeared to be anxious for explicit informa-The dances are all arranged and many of them have been satisfactorily rehearsed. urging the appointment of Mr. Hanna, but The Brooklyn Engle reflects the sentiwould not say that he had received a faments of the goodly people of the city of churches when it says: "Dreadful, dreadful things have been happening in New York. Mr. and Mrs. Bradley-Martin are LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Feb. 7.-Democrats going to have a ball and they asked a Mrs. Bronson to lead the first dance. Thereand Populists each had a candidate for sheriff in Lawrence county, this State. Chilone of the guests, said that if Mrs. Bronders, the Democrat, was declared elected son was allowed to dance in that cotillon she, Mrs. Mills, would express her disby a small majority. Stewart, the Populist, pleasure by staying away. In order to charged fraud. Election commissioners disavoid this terrible occurrence Mrs. Bronson covered an error and gave the election to was tearfully pleaded with, and she Stewart. County Judge Townsend, a Demgraciously consented to give up the dance ocrat, held that the vote in several disin order that Mrs. Mills might be exploited. tricts was irregular and he threw it out and Mrs. Mills says that she was a Livingconfirmed the election of Childers. Popustone, and that in this country a Livinglists and Prohibitionists on one side and the stone has precedence over all others. It is Childers faction on the other side are armrumored that the Astors are now inquiring ing, and there is fear bloodshed will rewhere they come in, and it is even though that one of the Mrs. Astors may lead the cotillon. All this is sad. It is hoped that an amicable adjustment of the difficulty will be reached. It is hoped, also, that the participants in the dances will desist from begging the all powerful press to settle their differences. It is hoped-on, so earnestly-that the Bradley-Martin-Bronson-Antor-Mills-Livingstone episode will not have any effect on the arbitration treaty, the tariff revision or the appropriation bills and will not break up hitherto happy homes." One ludicrous outcome of the talk about

Pretty German Girl Who Is Detained at Eilis Island.

FRAULEIN JULIE'S PLIGHT.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7 .- If Franz Bittner does not call at Ellis island within a week and claim Fraulein Julie Witthofneri, the pretty German girl whom he induced to come to this country, she will be sent back to the fatherland. Julie arrived here last Thursday as a first cabin passenger on the steamer Kingston. Julie met Franz in Vienna, went on the stage at his suggestion, and finally came to this country on a firstclass ticket he sent to her. She has any number of gowns and other clothing, but no money, and, of course, can't land. Franz brought her over with the understanding that he would secure a divorce and then marry her. If he presents the decree he treachery in thus abandoning the man who | may remove her from the island, but not otherwise. Every effort is being made to find him. Julie has not lost heart, although she can give no clew to his whereabouts. Her faith in him is pathetic, as the commissioners are by no means sure that Franz ever meant to claim his sweetheart.

BONDS DECLARED ILLEGAL.

Purchasers of Wooster (0.) City Securities May Lose \$73,000.

WOOSTER, O., Feb. 7 .- The judges of the are illegal and unconstitutional for the rea- watch out." son that the bonds do not bear on their issuing \$100,000 of bonds to secure the completion of the railway. The full amount of he bonds were not used, but instead \$73,to the treasurer of a board of railway trustees. It was charged that some persons

pleting the railway. Dr. Brownson to Leave Detroit. DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 7.-The Rev. Marcus A. Brownson, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, of Detaoit, to-day announced his acceptance of a call to the pas-Tammany tiger, but with the former inside | torate of the Tenth Presbyterian Church, of Philadelphia, Dr. Brownson's present

patients themselves, far surpassing in originality of design anything that will be seen at the Walderf affair. IN RELIGIOUS CIRCLES. Dr. Lyman Abbott's Jonah Bomb and

Other Sensations.

the ball was the entertainment at the Long

Flatbush Friday night. It was a masked

ball, in which the patients participated. So

far as possible descriptions of costumes to

be worn at the Bradley-Martin ball were

utilized, and among the 150 dancers were

seen a varied assortment of Henry VIIIs.

Charles II cavallers, Cleopatras, Queen

Isabellas, Louis XVs, etc., but many of the

costumes, of course, were the work of the

Elizabeths, Marie Antoinettes,

Island State Hospital for the Insane

NEW YORK, Feb. 7 .- Dr. Lyman Abbott's Jonah bomb is still exploding. The injured among the orthodox are fairly howling their maledictions, and were Jonah still in the whale no doubt he would prefer to stay there rather than risk destruction on earth in the war between the reverend clergy. Dr. Abbott adds to his general ridjcule of the Jonah incident by declaring that Wayne County Circuit Court have decided | the entire book of Proverbs is one of wisthat \$76,000 of Wooster city bonds, sold in | dom and not of religion. There is one man 1892 to Lamprecht Brothers, of Cleveland, the church "bogey man will get if he don't

The Jonah affair is only one of the many elements that are disturbing church circles issued. The city in 1840 voted in favor of here. A wave of discord seems to have swept over the community. The "Sacred Vaudeville," as Colonel Ingersoll calls ex-000 of the securities were sold. The money | Mayor Gilroy's entertainment at the Harwas never paid into the city treasury, but lem Opera House last Sunday for the benefit of a Cathode church, Dr. Rainsford's made a good thing out of the bonds in com- attack on the Bradley-Martin ball, the Rev. "Tom" Dixon's vulgar declaration from the pulpit of "the public be damned" and wordy pyrotechnics from other pulpit sensation mongers have added to the turmoil. John D. Rockefeller's long fight, involving the ousting of the Rev. Dr. Potter's congregation from a Baptist church, in which the dominie barricaded against attack, and the opposition cut off water and supplies, necesduring a fighting campaign, it is not wise pastorate has lasted eight years, during sitating the doctor's resorting to strategy and a string to secure food and drink, has